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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Bergh et al.

Serial No.: To Be Assigned

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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR  
FLUID DISTRIBUTION IN  
MICROFLUIDIC SYSTEMS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A**

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of this Preliminary Amendment A and the following remarks.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, line 1, change the title to "Methods and Apparatus for Fluid Distribution in Microfluidic Systems"

At page 1, line 5, after "This application" insert is a divisional application of  
copending U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/518,794 filed March 3, 2000, which itself

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 1-167 and 179-185.